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**JUDICIAL BRANCH**


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**CIRCUIT COURT**

*Appointed by Governor &/ or elected by Voters (5 Judges):*  
 Raymond J. Kane, Jr., *County Administrative Judge*, 1997

James B. Dudley, *Associate Judge*, 2005  
 Diane O. Leasure, *Associate Judge*, 1996  
 Donna H. Staton, *Associate Judge*, 1996  
 Dennis M. Sweeney, *Associate Judge*, 2007

Courthouse  
 8360 Court Ave.  
 Ellicott City, MD 21043 (410) 313-2083

*Elected by Voters:*

Margaret D. Rappaport (R), *Clerk*, 1998  
 (410) 313-2111

Michael A. Chiuchiolo (R), *Sheriff*, 1998  
 (410) 313-2150

**MASTERS FOR DOMESTIC RELATIONS***Appointed by Circuit Court:*

Nancy L. Haslinger, Esq. . . . . (410) 313-4857  
 Bernard A. Raum, Esq. . . . . (410) 313-4857

**COURT AUDITOR***Appointed by Circuit Court:*

Charles A. Reese, Esq. . . . . (410) 740-4600

**DISTRICT COURT**

*Appointed by Governor with Senate consent (4 Judges):*  
 James N. Vaughan, *District Administrative Judge*, 2002

Louis A. Becker III, *Associate Judge*, 1999  
 Lenore R. Gelfman, *Associate Judge*, 1999  
 R. Russell Sadler, *Associate Judge*, 2000

District Court/ Multi-Service Center  
 3451 Courthouse Drive  
 Ellicott City, MD 21043 (410) 461-0220

**ORPHANS' COURT***Elected by Voters:*

Rosemary M. Ford (D), *Chief Judge*, 1998  
 Charles M. Coles, Jr. (R), *Judge*, 1998  
 Joyce C. Pope (R), *Judge*, 1998

Kay K. Hartleb (R), *Register of Wills*, 1998

Courthouse  
 8360 Court Ave.  
 Ellicott City, MD 21043 (410) 313-2133

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**MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENTS IN HOWARD COUNTY**


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Howard County has no incorporated towns or cities.

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**U.S. GOVERNMENT AGENCIES IN HOWARD COUNTY**


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Federal Communications Commission  
 Authorization & Evaluation Division  
 7435-A Oakland Mills Road  
 Columbia, MD 21046 (301) 725-1585  
 Columbia Operations Center  
 P. O. Box 250  
 Columbia, MD 21045 (301) 725-3474

U.S. Dept. of Agriculture  
 Farm Service Agency  
 9025 Chevrolet Drive, Suite J  
 Ellicott City, MD 21042 (410) 465-3470  
 Natural Resources Conservation Service  
 9025 Chevrolet Drive, Suite J  
 Ellicott City, MD 21042 (410) 465-3180